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SUBJECT: SIGNIFICANT MILITARY EXERCISE FOAL EAGLE 74

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JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE

1. REFERENCED MESSAGE REQUESTED CLARIFICATION OF THE SPECIFIC INTENT OF POSTPONING THE SUBJECT EXERCISE.

2. DECISION HAS BEEN MADE THAT EXERCISE FOAL EAGLE 74 BE POSTPONED UNTIL CLOSE OF UNGA IN VIEW OF THE SUBSTANTIAL POLITICAL RISK IT WOULD POSE FOR OUR POSITION WHEN THE UNGA CONSIDERS THE KOREAN QUESTION. WE BELIEVE THAT NORTH KOREA -- AND POSSIBLY ITS ALLIES AS WELL -- WOULD TRY TO EXTRACT THE MAXIMUM POLITICAL ADVANTAGE FROM THIS EXERCISE FOR THEIR POSITION ON THE KOREAN QUESTION AT THE UNGA. THE FACT THAT THE EXERCISE WOULD INCLUDE UNCONVENTIONAL WARFARE, THAT IT WOULD BE SPONSORED BY THE UNC (WHOSE DISSOLUTION THE COMMUNIST SIDE IS DEMANDING), AND THAT THE EXERCISE WOULD BE CARRIED OUT AT OR NEAR THE TIME OF THE UNGA DEBATE OF THE KOREAN QUESTION COULD BE USED WITH EFFECT BY NORTH KOREA TO ARGUE ITS POSITION WITH MANY MORE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES -- WHOSE VOTES MAY BE CRITICAL.

3. THE INTENT WAS TO POSTPONE THE ENTIRE EXERCISE AS IT WAS ORIGINALLY ENVISIONED, THAT IS, A COMBINED US/ROK TRAINING EXERCISE UNDER UN COMMAND SPONSORSHIP.

4. IF ROKG NOT AWARE OF THE RATIONALE FOR U.S. DECISION TO POSTPONE, YOU MAY INDICATE CONCERN EXPRESSED PARAGRAPH 2. IF ROKG HAS ANY DESIRE OR INTENT TO CONDUCT A UNILATERAL EXERCISE IN ORIGINAL TIME FRAME, YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THERE CAN BE NO U.S. OR UN COMMAND INVOLVEMENT.

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